

**CLARK COUNTY
CLEAN WATER COMMISSION
Work Session**

Wednesday, June 19, 2002
6:00 – 9:00 PM
Clark County Public Works Department
Conference Room
4700 NE 78th Street
Vancouver, Washington

Call to Order

Roll Call:

Clark County Clean Water Commission Members Present

Dana Kemper, Mary Martin, Susan Rasmussen, Judy Schramm, and Don Steinke

Clark County Clean Water Commission Members Absent

Robert Agard, Cal Ek, and Art Stubbs

Clark County Public Works Staff

Kelli Frost, Sam Giese, Earl Rowell and Rod Swanson

Agenda and material review

The material for tonight's work session include:

Article from the Columbian dated June 17, 2002 entitled: Decimal points may be mucking up county stormwater bills.

1. 6/19/02 Clark County Clean Water Commission work session Agenda;
2. Clean Water Program(Clean Water Fund 4420) 2001-02 Budget Information;
3. Clean Water Program Engineering/Infrastructure Program;
4. 2003-2004 Budget Preliminary Draft Fund 4420;
5. 2003/04 DRAFT Education Budget Narrative – For Discussion Purposes only;
6. Clean Water Program: 2002 Maintenance;
7. Clean Water Program 201 Enforcement;
8. Clean Water Program Budget for 2003-04 200Administration/Coordination

Mr. Rowell reviewed various components of the administration portion of the 2001-02 budget:

Administration:

- \$301,322 budgeted for salaries and benefits for the Clean Water Program/NPDES permit coordination and administration.
- \$20,000 was set aside for the services of Jeanne Lawson and Associates we used \$13,000.
- \$10,000 is for legal services to pay for the expenses of the Clark County Hearings Examiner
- \$86,000 in contractual services to the Clark County Treasurer's office for establishment and implementation of the billing system for the past year.

Enforcement:

- \$6,499 in salaries and benefits;
- \$1,087,686 in County Contract Services, to pay Department of Community Development for various services such as, code enforcement, erosion control, and inspection services.

Mr. Steinke wanted to know who supervised the budget associated with Community Development?

Mr. Rowell: We provide the general oversight of the program and each program manager in Community development is responsible making sure those activities are performed.

Mr. Steinke: Can you give us feedback regarding our motion of a year and a half ago that the Development Community pays that bill rather than us.

Mr. Rowell: The Board of County Commissioners said no to this motion.

Maintenance and Operations:

- \$1,658,000 is budgeted for implementation of NPDES permit requirements.
- \$27,000 is identified for work within the Burnt Bridge Creek watershed.

Mr. Kemper: How many dollars do we have in Burnt Bridge Creek?

Mr. Rowell: About \$400,000 remaining. There is also \$285,000 to collect from surplus sale of property. We will be spending nearly all of the \$400,000 on Thomas Lake in Burnt Bridge Creek.

Monitoring and Evaluation:

- \$371,000 in salaries that include staff to implement a centralized storm sewer data base/inventory, performs outfall screening, long-term water quality health programs, and activities that support stormwater capital. Two staff salaries will be moved into the Capital program element.
- \$350,000 to collect and analyze hydrological data and develop a hydrological model for Clark County.
- \$49,965 for two temporary staff, Jennifer Tierney and Derrick Brooks.

Public Education and Involvement:

- \$258,916 in salaries and benefits
- \$211,912 for Professional services, \$40,000 of which is for working with the City of Vancouver and SWRP.
- \$25,000 for Xerox and printing services.
- \$30,000 for coordinated efforts with ESA and for designing, producing and mailing the 2002 Clean Water Program Newsletter.
- \$10,000 for public awareness and outreach.

Capital:

- \$178,641 in salaries and benefits to provide engineering enhancements to the county's stormwater infrastructure.
- \$73,567 engineering services to provide contract services to assist in improving the county's stormwater infrastructure.
- \$100,000 for right-of-way as part of infrastructure improvements.
- \$100,000 non-building improvements consisting of construction contract services for stormwater improvements.

Sam provided a preliminary overview of the engineering/Infrastructure program for 2003-2004.

Which involves:

- ◆ Mapping and Inventory
- ◆ Engineering Support

- ◆ Basin and CIP Planning
- ◆ Small Stormwater Facility Retrofits
- ◆ Rain Drain Retrofits
- ◆ Drywell Retrofits
- ◆ Over-sizing Cost Share
- ◆ Riparian Restoration

There was also discussion in regards to assembling various different groups, such as Friends of Trees, Fish first and the Watershed Stewards, to work together on projects.

Rod Swanson provided an preliminary overview of the Monitoring, Data Management, Evaluation and Reporting Budget which involves:

- ◆ Long-term index sites
- ◆ Watershed Characterization Grant Project
- ◆ Monitoring Coordination and Resource Center Project
- ◆ Stream Health Report
- ◆ Continuous Stream Gauges
- ◆ Continuous Precipitation Gauges
- ◆ Storm Sewer Screening Project
- ◆ Lacamas Lake Loading Data
- ◆ Lacamas Lake Monitoring
- ◆ Salmon Creek Watershed Water Quality Monitoring
- ◆ Special Projects to Address TMDLs
- ◆ Water Resource Database Maintenance
- ◆ NPDES Permit Reporting and Administrative costs.

Mr. Swanson stated that they would also like to begin to looking at each water and sub-watershed more in depth detail.

The Clean Water Commissioners stressed that they would like to see more water monitoring projects.

Earl Rowell provided an overview of the Education Budget and the various education program elements for the 2003/2004-budget year. Which includes:

- ◆ Watershed Stewards
- ◆ Clean Water Web Site
- ◆ Neighborhood Survey
- ◆ Displays and Advertising
- ◆ Publications
- ◆ School Waiver Program
- ◆ Student Water Quality Monitoring Program and Poster Contest
- ◆ Science in the Parks
- ◆ Environmental Information Cooperative
- ◆ Business Assistance Program
- ◆ Outreach to Small Acreage Landowners
- ◆ Community and Special Events
- ◆ General Administration

Mr. Kemper remarked that we need to make more of an effort in coordinating with other organizations.

It was suggested that we set up and facilitate a work session with other organizations to open the lines of communication. The Commissioners asked if Vaughn Brown could be hired to facilitate.

Mr. Kemper requested that the Clean Water Commissioners work on identifying stakeholders to participate in a work session in the fall.

Adjourn

The Clean Water Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The Clean Water Commissioners unanimously agreed to cancel the July 3, 2002 meeting.

The next Clean Water Commission meeting will be held on August 7, 2002.

Respectfully submitted by Kelli Frost

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